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Mr. BAVIUS,

I Remember one of your brother ſcribblers, very learnedly told his readers, that we ſhould have a very great eclipſe of the moon on the 17th of May; and that it would begin a quarter after five: whereas the moon did not riſe till eight that evening, and the eclipſe was then three parts over. From whence I infer, that your brethren the news-writers, are pretty much addicted to lying, (as it were.) And indeed they ſo often contradict one another, and themſelves, that there's little credit to be given to any thing they ſay. I therefore adviſe you to make news, and publiſh it in ſome method, like the following ſpecimen.

DOMESTIC NEWS. From Leaden-hall-ſtreet we hear, that the East-India company deſign to purchaſe the monument, to make a preſent of it to the Great Mogul for a tobacco-ſtopper.——From Wapping, that a marriage, firſt thought of and concluded laſt thurſday night, was ſolemnized the next morning between Timothy Tar, a ſailor of Wapping-dock, and Miſs Prate-apace, the eldeſt daughter of Tom Heel-piece, a cobler in Rag-fair, a young lady of great beauty and merit, with a fortune of three pounds, wanting fifty-five ſhillings, and an eſtate in reverſion, which ſhe is to get by her own induſtry.——From Ratcliff High-way, that an ancient haberdaſher of old clothes, after having dined very heartily, fell aſleep in his eaſy chair, and when he awaked, found himſelf very much indiſpoſed —for work. N. B. This is the hundred and fiftieth fit with which he has been ſeiz'd.——From Kenſington, that Phillis, the belov'd favourite bitch of the counteſs of Stiffrump, was ſafely delivered of two very pretty male puppies, to the unſpeakable joy of that noble family.——By an expreſs from Batterſea, we are adviſed, that Mrs. Mambrino, the good old woman that cuts for the ſimples, has had great practice of late, particularly from many proprietors of York-buildings, and the adventurers in the Charitable corporation. She has alſo cut a young citizen, lately ſet up, who kept his country houſe, whither he went every ſaturday after dinner, and did not return till monday about two, leaving his houſe and affairs at random, and his ſervants to do what they pleaſed; likewiſe a finical apprentice, with a narrow hat, and broad lace, red heel'd ſhoes, ſtockings with gold clocks, and a cane with a gold head: theſe ſhe cut in two minutes, and has gain'd great reputation thereby. N. B. Next week ſhe is to cut a young lady that is in love with her father's foot-man; and a lawyer's clerk, that reſolves to marry the chamber-maid, tho' he has ſerved but two years of his time, and has nothing to begin the world with ——Some accounts from Yarmouth ſay, that mackarel are much finer this year than for many years paſt, being much dearer; and that no red herrings have appeared in the ſeas all this mackarel ſeaſon, which is thought to be very ominous: but both theſe articles being ſhip-news, we impatiently wait for more certain information.

Diſeaſes: Hot-cockles 2. Span-ku 5. Long-fives 13. Ganthaddock 15. Palſy in the elbow 7. Crinkums 3. Hide bound 4. Pip 2. Don't-know-howiſhneſs 5. Stoppage in the breath 415. In all 479.

Caſualties: A fat carman ſtepping over a kennel, broke his ſhoe-buckle: a young lady loſt one of her garters at the playhouſe: a lawyer left his brief at home, and yet was much briefer than uſual: a ſpruce reader forgot to carry his ſnuff-box to church, and was forced to skip over ſeveral prayers: a young lady fell down, and crack'd her maidenhead: and an old lady caught a violent cold by leaving off a diamond ring.

Imports: Some French faſhions of the neweſt cut: ſeveral bales of Jeſuitical equivocations, and mental reſervations: of infidelity ten tons; but our markets being overſtocked, it bears a very low price: from ſeveral countries, ſingers, dancers, harlots, and harlequins.

Exports: Twelve dozen of cuſtards: eighteen dozen of goſeberry-tarts: ſeveral queer dukes, rum dukes, ſad dogs, ſitter bitches, ſilly curs, coxcombs, and convicts.

FROM SCOTLAND we have an account, that a ſcorbutic diſtemper abounds there exceedingly; and that ſcrubbing-poſts are to be erected by ſubſcription, at four miles diſtance from one another, throughout the whole kingdom:

Prodigies in IRELAND. At a ſmall village near this place, a poor woman was lately delivered of a male child without a ſhirt: and at another village, a cow brought forth a calf with four legs, and a tail; to the wonderful wonder of all people that wonder at it.

From our ſugar colonies in AMERICA we have received advice, that the laſt year's ſugars are very ſweet; that rum is very apt to make people drunk; and that, when they are ſo, they are very quarrelſome, and exceeding angry with the ſaints of New England.

FOREIGN NEWS. From Holland we are informed by the laſt mail, that the Dutch in general are great lovers of butter and f——ting: and that at Amſterdam a treaty of marriage is on foot, and will ſpeedily be conſummated, between the only ſon of Mynheer van Slabber-chops, and the only daughter of the Heer van Stink-apace, a young lady of great accompliſhments, and an immenſe fortune.—From Poland, that he is likelieſt to be elected king, who diſtributes his money into the moſt proper hands.——From Conſtantinople, that the Grand Signior has many concubines, but mortally hates the whore of Babylon; and would kiſs Thamas Koul-kan's a--e to be at peace with him. ——From Rome, that the Pope has got the gout in both his feet; and is very willing to diſpenſe with the performance of the ceremony of kiſſing his toe——From France, that the bull *Unigenitus* is likely to be baited by the Janſeniſts, till he will not be able to roar any longer.——From Spain, that the common people are very lazy, proud, and poor; the women prieſt-ridden, and the inquiſitors as great rogues as ever.——From Oran, that the Turks and Spaniards cannot agree which of them have moſt religion; but that in general both ſides were pretty well in health, tho' much inclined to be louſy.

DEMOCRITUS.

'Squire BAVIUS, *Batterſea, May* 26. 1733.

THE Engliſh are famous for ſome one particular art more than moſt other nations; ſome for cutting of capers, ſome for cutting of purſes, ſome for cutting for the ſtone, ſome for cutting of throats, you for cutting out other peoples faults; but none but myſelf, in the three kingdoms, has the art to cut people for the SIMPLES. I therefore deſire you, as an encourager of public good, to give the following public notice, that I am an adept in this abſtruſe art; and, in return for ſuch a favour, I will cut your worſhip gratis.

To all Chriſtian people, to whom theſe preſents ſhall come, greeting. Know ye, that for the particular utility of all ſimpletons, ninnihammers, vain coxcombs, beaux, prudes, country ſquires, and all others of the ſame tribe; I URSULA MAMBRINO, of Batterſea, in com. Surrey, do ſtill live in my ancient ſeat, and am ſtill known there, and all round the country, by the name of *the old woman that cuts folks for the ſimples*, tho' ſome ill-minded people have reported me dead. But to convince all the world of the falſity of that malicious report, I do aſſure them, that I am not only alive, but in bodily health, and perform daily cures upon numbers of patients. I have great variety of inſtruments, made in different countries, ſome in France, ſome in Cappadocia, ſome in Utopia, and ſome in the Moon. I perform every operation without pain, loſs of blood, or hinderance of buſineſs: therefore let none deſpair; but come in time, and fear nothing. I can tell at firſt ſight, whether the perſons are curable or not: if not, I will not undertake them; and if curable, I do it for a ſmall matter, and at once. If any one ſend his water, I can tell the caſe, as well as if I ſaw the patient: but I cut no where but at my own houſe; not even to the greateſt perſonage. The poor I cut for nothing, if they come recommended by the miniſter and the pariſh officers.

As to the ais cuckold that takes his ears for his horns, I divide the cranium, cut into the glandulæ pinearis, let out the jealous humour, and cure all again in half an hour's time. If any woman is ſeiz'd with a fit of the ſullens, and will not ſpeak, I cut her twatling ſtrings in a moment, and reſtore her tongue to its uſual vollubility. If her paper-mill goes too loud, I bleed her in the ſublingual vein, ſcarify the ſalival glands, draw three or four of her teeth, and then cut out the worm from her tongue.—After that, I give her a bottle of my *aquæ contra objurgationem*; of which whenever ſhe holds a ſpoonful in her mouth, ſhe is as quiet as a lamb. Indeed this water is infallible, and ought to be had in every family in the kingdom: I ſell it in quart bottles, as ſix ſhillings a dozen, bottles and all. It is too tedious to name the ſeveral ſorts of ſimpletons; but in the general I cut citizens, that long to be knighted; parents that give the ſtaff out of their own hands, and depend upon their children for ſubſiſtance; wives that part with their jointures; huſbands that intend to leave their wives ſole executors, with full power to portion their children; tradeſmen that run in debt, to truſt other people with their goods; landlords that neglect to inſure their houſes; tenants that take houſes at rack rents, and ſtands to all repairs; elder brothers that whore and drink, and mortgage their eſtates; younger brothers that marry women without fortunes: all ſuch as neglect to keep wills ready by them; all ſuch as go to law for trifles, and all men of buſineſs that frequent cock matches, horſe-races, maſquerades, balls, and plays; and, in a word, all the fools in the nation. No cure, no money. Note, a lamp is over my door in the evening.

DEMOCRITUS.

Mr. BAVIUS, *May* 29. 1733.

HOW uſeful *an Index of matters to Mr.* BAYLE's *dictionary* would be, will appear from the encloſed ſpecimen of onely one article, *viz.* that of ADAM. The curious, who read the numbers as they come out, will be apt to draw up ſomething of this nature for their own uſe; unleſs the gentlemen, who have undertaken the tranſlation, deſign ſomething of that kind, which would be abundantly better.

Be pleaſed therefore to publiſh this ſpecimen, or give ſome hint of the thing in ſuch manner as you ſhall think fit; requeſting the gentlemen to give ſome public ſignification of their deſign, for the ſatisfaction of their ſubſcribers; particularly their good friend, and

Your humble ſervant,

PUBLICUS.

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SIR, *June* 17*th* 1733.

I Am a lady of a plentiful fortune and a great admirer of aſſemblies; which makes me take every opportunity of appearing in public during the winter ſeaſon. Upon hearing ſome people railing the other night at the degeneracy of the ſoldiers, I compoſed the two following ſtanzas. If you think them worth a place in your paper, by inſerting them you will much oblige

Your humble ſervant

SARAH TOWNLY.

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I.

'Tis ſay'd, that the ſoldiers ſo lazy are grown
With luxury, plenty, and eaſe,
That they more for their carriage than courage are known,
And ſcarce know the uſe of a piece.

II.

Let them ſay what they will, ſince it no body galls;
And exclaim out ſtill louder and louder:
For there ne'er was more money expended in balls,
Or a greater conſumption of powder.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Courant.*
P. *Poſt-Boy.*
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THURSDAY, *June* 14. The parliament was yeſterday prorogued to July 26. *C.* &c. — We hear that Will. Bromley Eſq; knight of the ſhire for Cambridge, has kiſs'd the king's hand, being advanced to the dignity of a baron, by the title of lord Bromley of Horſe-heath in Cambridgeſhire. *DA.* — This morning the three regiments of foot-guards were reviewed by his majeſty, and the royal family, who about three ſet out for Richmond. *SJ. WE.*

Sir James Lowther bar. knight of the ſhire for Cumberland, has diſqualified himſelf as a director of the South-ſea company. *DA.* — Yeſterday being the laſt day of the term, ſeveral perſons appeared on their recognizances, &c. *P. DJ.* — Oxford races will begin Aug. 28. *LE.*

Chriſtened males 162: females 151: in all 313. Decreaſed 38. — *Buried* males 245: females 268: in all 513. Decreaſed 65. *SJ.*

IMPORTANT ARTICLES. On thurſday, at the grand anniverſary feaſt of free and accepted maſons at Mercers-hall, the rev. Mr. Oratory Henley, being choſen chaplain, gave them an extempore harangue proper to the occaſion, which was received with univerſal applauſe. *DA.* — *That this* harangue *was not* premeditated, *but* extempore, *is evident from the* univerſal applauſe. —— *Ilcheſter, June* 11. Mr. Char. Jones, a priſoner in our goal, having ſurrender'd himſelf in order to take his trial, for killing a gentleman in a duel at Bath about two years ſince, gave a barrel of beer to the reſt of the priſoners, who all drank the healths of their majeſties, the royal family, the prince of Orange, with a happy conjunction to his illuſtrious highneſs and her royal highneſs, &c. *LE.* — *A perſon ſo* loyal *ought to have a favourable trial.*

Married yeſterday at Mitcham, Mr. John Souton, an eminent ſilk-dyer, to the youngeſt daughter of the late rev. and worthy Dr. Lake. *DP.* — On tueſday a fellow went to the houſe of Mr. Tomkins, an attorney near the Royal-exchange, and asked the ſervant for the jack, as order'd by her miſtreſs to be clean'd, who was juſt then gone abroad; in taking it down he was obſerv'd to be in a great hurry, and on her return it was immediately found they were cheated of their jack. *DP.* —— It was found *that the* jack *was* loſt, *being, tho'* foul, *carried* clean *off.*

FRIDAY, *June* 15. Yeſterday the right hon. the lord viſc. Cobham reſigned his commiſſion of colonel of a regiment of horſe; the right hon. the earl of Stair, his command of a regiment of dragoons; and his grace the duke of Montroſe, lord privy ſeal of Scotland, delivered up the ſeals. *P.* — Mark Frecker, Nic. Paxton, and John Lawton Eſqs are appointed, by the legiſlature, to ſue for adminiſtration of the eſtate of Ric. Norton Eſq; — Yeſterday about 100 perſons, 50 of which are able to bear arms, imbarked in the river for Georgia. *DJ.* 90 paſſengers. *SJ. June* 16. — The earl of Stair has not reſign'd. *DA. June* 19.

Married on wedneſday the hon. Rob. Coke Eſq; vice-chamberlain of her majeſty's houſhold, to the lady Jane Holt, ſiſter to the late duke of Wharton. — On friday they ſet out for Cornwall in Yorkſhire, in order to celebrate their nuptials there. *C. June* 19. — *Died* yeſterday the lady Chapman, wife of Sir William Chapman, Bar. *DP.*

Yeſterday, at a ſeſſions of admiralty held at the Old-Baily, Capt. Harris was tried for the murder of Ric. Beard, on the coaſt of Guinea, June 2. 1731. and found guilty. It apppeared, that Beard would not obey orders; on which the Capt. beat him in a barbarous manner with a cat-a-ninetails, and threw two buckets of water upon him, and ordered the purſer to give him no allowance of victuals; on which he languiſhed for ſome days, and then died. *C. DP.* — It appear'd by many witneſſes, that he beat him, without provocation, with a thick rope having a large knot at the end; and threw ſeveral buckets of cold water upon him. *SJ. June* 16.

SATURDAY, *June* 18. His majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint Ric. Aldworth to be deputy-warden of Windſor Foreſt. *SJ. LE.* — On wedneſday her royal highneſs the princeſs Amelia took her leave of New Tunbridge-wells Iſlington, and was pleaſed to order 25 guineas to Mr. Reaſon, maſter of the wells, 3 to each of the two dippers, and 1 to each of the ſervants. *C. DP.* — On thurſday Mrs. Robinſon, relict of the late biſhop of London, loſt her gold watch there. *SJ.* — This day the right hon. Sir Rob. Walpole ſet out with a great retinue for his ſeat at Houghton-hall; where he will keep open houſe for three weeks. *C.* This afternoon he will ſet out. *DJ.* — We hear he will not go to reſide there, 'till the royal family remove from Richmond. *DA. June* 20. — We hear, that Arthur-Henry Herbert, of Oakley-park, in the county of Salop, member for Ludlow, will be created a peer. *SJ.* —— Yeſterday the right rev. lord biſhop of Wincheſter conſecrated the new church and church-yard taken out of St. Olave's, by the name of St. John in the county of Surrey. *DP.* —— The ſame day at a meeting, at the ſwan tavern in Exchange-alley, were about 40 perſons, who ſubſcribed 250,000 l. to be offered as a loan for their bonds at three per cent. *C.* Subſcribed by proprietors and others: but there was a ſmall appearance of ſtock-holders in proportion to their number. *DJ. June* 18.

Extract of a Letter from Salem *in* New England, *dated* April 9.

This day his majeſty's ſhip the Scarborough (20 Guns, and about 120 men) capt. Durell, commander, arrived here from Sal Tortuga, (a deſolate iſland, to Leeward of Barbadoes, producing nothing but ſalt, and on that account reſorted to by the Engliſh ſhips early every ſpring, to load ſalt for the fiſheries). She brings advice, that on March 13. the day appointed for the fleet under her convoy to ſet ſail, about ſix in the morning they ſaw at a diſtance two large ſhips, and at ſeven they perceived that they had Britiſh colours out: an hour afterwards the ſame ſhips hoiſted out Spaniſh colours and parted, one ſtanding in towards the ſhore, and the other kept his offing. Theſe ſhips proved to be two Spaniſh men of war, one of 60, the other of 70 Guns, and full of hands: About nine o'clock the men of war fired on ſome of the Engliſh Fleet, diſperſed and took four of them by ten; whereupon Capt. Durell ſent his lieutenant to demand the reaſon; but they refuſed to ſpeak with the boat, and fired a broad-ſide upon the Scarborough, which ſhe return'd, and Capt. Durell kept them in action till he got off 32 ſail of the fleet: about ſix in the afternoon the Spaniards ſtood off with their four prizes, viz. the ſhip Katharine, Andrew Woodbury, maſter, Mr. Samuel Brown of Salem, ſole owner, ſuppoſed to be valued at 7000 l. New England currency, or upwards; the Brig. Two Siſters, capt. Habakkuk Gardiner, and capt. Benjamin Brown of Salem, owner; the Brig. Hopewell, John Wells, maſter, and the hon. Thomas Hutchenſon Eſq; of Boſton, owner. Not the life of one Engliſhman was loſt in this action, without it happen'd on board the aforemention'd veſſels, of which we can give no certain account; but the Spaniſh ſhips being crowded with hands, very probably loſt ſome of them. *DJ.*

Shrewsbury, June 7. This being the time of our races, there aſſembled this morning under the market-houſe, a very numerous body of gentlemen and freeholders of the county of Salop, the burgeſſes, principal traders, and inhabitants of this town, whence they proceeded to wait on Mr. Calcot and Mr. Child, the repreſentatives for the ſaid county, to return their thanks and acknowledgments for their many great ſervices done in parliament in defence of the liberties and properties of their country; and particularly in that glorious ſtand they made againſt the late bill of exciſe, which might have proved fatal to both: and Mr. Watkin Williams Wynne being alſo preſent, they took the ſame opportunity of thanking him on the like occaſion. *LE.*

On thurſday in Hyde-park, two perſons driving a chaiſe, one, by ſome ſudden accident being thrown out, broke two of his ribs; and the other a ſoldier, by the ſame jirk, had his bayonet thruſt into him, and died on the ſpot. *SJ.* — The ſame day, a centinel perceived a band-box floating in the canal in S. James's park, in which was found a male child about a month old, which had been murdered by all appearance. *P.*

Married, on wedneſday, Joſeph Warkman Eſq; a gentleman of a plentiful eſtate in Glouceſterſhire, to miſs Bridges, a young lady of great accompliſhments, and a fortune of 15,000 l. *SJ.*

Died, on monday, at Gainsborough in Lincolnſhire, Sir Nevile Hickman Bar. in his 32d year, and is ſucceeded by his only ſon George Nevile Hickman, a fine young gentleman not yet of age. *WE.*

On tueſday, at Hatch near Salisbury, the right hon. the counteſs dowager of Caſtlehaven. *WE.* — On wedneſday at Kingſton Mr. Mayo, and in Southwark Mr. Walling, two eminent diſſenting teachers. *C. DP.* — On thurſday, at Bethnal green, Jacob Dacoſta Villa Real Eſq; an eminent and wealthy Dutch merchant. *SJ.*

MONDAY, *June* 18. 'Tis now ſaid the court will not go to Hampton-court this ſummer. *DA.* — His majeſty has declared his royal intention of removing to Hampton-court on tueſday the third of July. *C. June* 19. — On wedneſday the rev. Dr. Bentley appeared by his proctor at Ely houſe, in order to anſwer to the articles awarded againſt him by the houſe of lords; when the viſitor ordered him to deliver in his defenſive plea the 26th inſt. *DP.* — Yeſterday morning about 5, a fire broke out at Mrs. Cornwall's, facing Somerſet-houſe, which in two hours conſumed that houſe, and much damaged three others. *P.* Mrs. Conwell, *DP.* It conſumed three houſes intirely, and damaged ſeveral others. *DA.* Said to be occaſioned by a gentleman's reading with a candle very early that morning. *P.* And falling aſleep, the candle ſet fire to the curtains. *DP.* — *But* one houſe *was burned*, and *the ſhell even of that left ſtanding.*

IMPORTANT NEWS. Laſt friday evening as four gentlemen were bathing in the river near Temple ſtairs, one of them was ſeized with the cramp, and muſt have been drown'd, had not a waterman catched him by two of his fingers, as he was ſinking the third time; for which piece of ſervice the ſaid gentleman very generouſly gave the waterman the ſum of two-pence half-penny to drink his health. *DA.* — *If this be true*, the gentleman gave *him more* by two-pence *than his* life *was worth.*

Married laſt thurſday at Richmond Geo. Kynaſton Eſq; to miſs Barbara Wilſon of that place. *P.* — *Died* on friday in S. James's Place, the right hon. the lord Darcy: the title becomes extinct. *P.* The title and eſtate goes to Mr. Darcy, a relation, now page of honour to his majeſty. *DP.*

TUESDAY, *June* 19. The right hon. Henry earl of Pembroke has kiſs'd the king's hand for the command of his majeſty's own royal regiment of horſe, in the room of the right hon. Rich. lord viſc. Cobham. — The right hon. John earl of Crawford is appointed gentleman of the bedchamber to his royal highneſs the prince. *DP.* —— On ſunday night brigadier-general Churchill ſet out for Dover, in order to embark for France, on his way to Aix-la-Chapelle. *C. DP.* — The famous pamphlet called the Bee, (the ſuppreſſion of which made ſo much *noiſe*, and which is ſaid to be compoſed by ſome of the greateſt *wits* of the age) is again *revived*: and though there have been great endeavours uſed to *kill* this ſame unlucky Bee, by *ſtamping* upon him and other *means*; we find he is ſtill likely to *live*, and that he has not loſt his *ſting*, &c. *P.* — Mr. Conundrum *ſays, if this* Bee *was really ſo* famous, *he would not* buzz his own praiſes *in this* noiſy puff: *That his* honey, *tho'* compoſed *originally* by the greateſt wits of Grub-ſtreet, *is only* compiled, *in the worſt ſenſe of the word, by one, whoſe name ſhould begin with a* P, *inſtead of a* B, *being a* puffer, *a* punſter, *and a* pirate.

There are letters from Jamaica by the laſt ſhips, which inform us, that the ſhips arrived there from the coaſt of Africa, know not how to diſpoſe of their cargo of Negroes, there being no market for them, either for the South-ſea company's Aſſiento trade, or otherwiſe. *P.*

The right hon. Archibald earl of Iſla is appointed keeper of the great ſeal of Scotland, in the room of his grace James duke of Montroſe: his grace John duke of Athol, keeper of the privy-ſeal of Scotland, in the room of the earl of Iſla. *SJ. LE.* — We hear the earl of Iſla will be appointed. *C. June* 20. — His grace the duke of Buckinghamſhire, and his mother the dutcheſs, have obtained his majeſty's ſign manual to go to France and Italy for ſome months. *SJ. LE.*

On the 10th a troop of major-general Gore's regiment of dragoons march'd into Yeovill in Somerſetſhire, to join another troop of the ſame regiment, in order to prevent any diſturbances from a ſet of people remarkable for their diſaffection and diſloyalty. *LE.*

Died on ſunday at Kenſington, aged near 90. Capt. Tho. Biggs, who was an officer in the reign of king Charles II. *P.*

WEDNESDAY, *June* 20. The lord viſc. Cobham holds his government of Jerſey, having obtained a grant thereof from King George I. — His majeſty has been pleaſed to nominate the lord viſc Gage, to carry over the blue ribband, &c to the prince of Orange. *DP.* — We hear the right hon. Will. Villiers [earl] of Jerſey, is appointed gentleman to the prince of Wales, in the room of the earl of Tankerville. *DJ.* Will be appointed. *C.*

Yeſterday came on a tryal at Guildhall before the hon. Mr. juſtice Page, wherein a weaver of Spittle-fields was plaintiff, and a young gentlewoman defendant, on a note ſuppoſed to be the hand-writing of the ſaid gentlewoman, for 4000 l. pretended to be given to the plaintiff, as a ſecurity or confirmation that ſhe would be married to him, and afterwards would not, whereupon he brought his action; but the court committed the plaintiff to Newgate for publiſhing the ſaid note, it appearing to be falſe, forged, and counterfeit, the plaintiff knowing it to be ſuch. *DJ.* — *This* weaver *ſeems to be in a fair way of being* hanged, *for* not ſtealing a fortune.

Married yeſterday Mr. Tho. Hankey, 2d ſon of Sir Henry, to the eldeſt daughter of Sir John Barnard Knt. and alderman. *DJ.* —— *Died* the ſame day Mr. James

Dixon, deputy c'oſet-keeper to his majeſty. *C. DP. DJ. DA.* — Mr. Willee, an eminent apotheeary on Fiſhſtreet-hill, reputed worth 10,000 l. *DA.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

Gentlemen, *June* 12. 1733.

AS I whimſically obſerved the number of the members, who voted againſt the late bill of exciſe, to be the ſame with the amount of the firſt eight ſquare numbers in Arithmetick; when any of your officers has nothing elſe to do, you may appoint him to improve the following hint thereon, this being only an extempore eſſay of one not skilled in rime, and no doubt you will judge him as little verſed in reaſon.

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Here's a health to the glorious TWO HUNDRED AND FOUR,
Who hinder'd exciſe-men from ent'ring our door:
Which had they once enter'd, their curſed intruſion
Would ſoon have been follow'd by a train of confuſion.
When th' old world by a flood was o'erwhelm'd, Eight found grace,
Scap'd that general exciſe, and renewed the race:
Eight prevented it here, making each an oration;
Near two hundred begat, by vocal propagation.
Whom acting ſo ſoundly, ſo roundly, on the ſquare,
To the ſum by eight figures produc'd we compare.
For the firſt eight ſquare numbers amount to no more,
Than the myſtical ſum of TWO HUNDRED AND FOUR.

A RECEIPT *to cure a* love fit; *which may indifferently ſerve for thoſe that are tired of* matrimony.

TYE one end of a rope faſt over a beam,
And make a ſlip nooſe at the other extream;
Then juſt underneath let a cricket be ſet,
On which let the lover moſt manfully get;
Then over his head let the ſnecket be got,
And under one ear be well ſettled the knot.
The cricket kick'd down, let him take a fair ſwing;
And leave all the reſt of the work to the ſtring.

Probatum eſt. DEMOCRITUS.

Edinburgh, June 7. On ſaturday a fire broke out at Paiſley, whereby about 100 families were burnt out of their houſes: the damage is computed at above 10,000 l. ſterling. —— Several prebyteries have appointed a day of faſting and humiliation, on account of the exceſſive drought, which threatens both corn and graſs. *C. DA. June* 14.

Dublin, June 9. Our citizens have been in a ſtrange conſternation this week, on the advertiſing and elopement of Col. Coddington, who it ſeems abſented himſelf on ſaturday laſt with a great many thouſand pounds, which he procured on his credit from ſeveral perſons. It is the more ſurpriſing, as that gentleman had eſtabliſhed ſo good a character, by his religious open behaviour, that he was as little ſuſpected of baſe dealing as any perſon in life. *C.*

Dublin, June 9. On ſunday laſt died Mrs. Bertran in Twatling-ſtreet, of a ſtrange diſorder ſhe fell into, a few weeks paſt, on taking ſnuff, which ſwelled her head and face ſo violently, that her teeth dropt out, and ſhe began to ſalivate; but before proper help was called in, was ſo far gone, that ſhe could not be ſaved: ſeveral perſons in the neighbourhood have been ſet a ſlavering by the ſame means, and there is great enquiry making into the cauſe of this miſchief. The inqueſt found that her death was cauſed by the ſnuff. *P. June* 19.

Dublin, June 12. By letters of the 10th inſtant, from the Naas, we are adviſed of a very extraordinary paſſage which happened there on friday laſt, viz. A family of that town invited ſome neighbours to dinner; at which, for one diſh, they had lamb and ſpinage, and as they liked it pretty well, all eat heartily; but ſcarce had they time to finiſh their repaſt, when the whole company ran frantic, more or leſs, as they had eat of the greens, which proved to be ſome poiſonous herb, and ſhewed its malignant effects according to the different humours of the perſons; ſome dancing, ſome playing tricks with their mouths and hands, and the reſt riding one another, to the great ſurprize of ſeveral ſpectators, who came in on the occaſion: at length all fell down into a lethargic ſilence, ſucceeded by a dead ſleep, and continued ſo for ſeveral hours, expected by their friends to expire every minute, the doctors and ſurgeons not knowing what to do in the matter; but at length coming to themſelves, they, to their great joy, found they were perfectly well, the ſuppoſed tragedy ending in a comedy, which gives great diverſion, for 'tis now a general jeſt. *C.* — *This* Iriſh *ſtory ſeems to be an allegory, denoting an* Engliſh maſquerade.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *June* 14. — *Conſtantinople, Ap.* 20. We have received advice from Perſia, that Thamas Kouli-Kan having ſent 10 or 12000 men to ſurprize Moſul near Bagdad, they were all killed or diſperſed; ſo that there is no reaſon to be in any pain for Bagdad. *C. P. DP.*

FRIDAY, *June* 15. — *Bruſſels, June* 15. 40,000 of the militia are marching to the frontier-places. *C.*

SATURDAY, *June* 16. — *Frankfort, June* 17. 'Tis aſſured from the frontiers, that ſome French battalions are arrived at the camp on the Moſelle. *DP.*

MONDAY, *June* 18. — *Hambourg, June* 12. They write from Warſaw, that the joint declarations of the miniſters of Vienna, Ruſſia, Great Britain, Pruſſia, and the States-General, made lately to the Primate and Senators, perplex'd the grandees in a great meaſure, with regard to the oath taken to ſeclude a foreign prince. *DP.*

TUESDAY, *June* 19. — *Petersbourg, May* 30. They write from Warſaw, that prince James Sobieski is arrived there, declares himſelf a candidate for the crown, and is well received by the ſenators. *DP.*

WEDNESDAY, *June* 26. — *Amſterdam, June* 26. They write from Warſaw, that the grandees flatter themſelves they ſhall obtain from Rome a diſpenſation of the oath they took in the late dyet. *C. DP.* —— *We* proteſtants *are much wiſer, who can give ourſelves a* diſpenſation *in ſuch caſes.*

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